

## Message Text

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O R 262224Z APR 77  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY ROME IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY ANKARA  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
AMEMBASSY KUWAIT  
AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
INFO CINCEUR  
COMFAIRMED  
SIGONELLA  
CNM

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, IT, TU, KU, SA, EG

SUBJECT: DELIVERY OF A-4'S TO KUWAIT

REF: A) ANKARA 2951 (NOTAL) B) KUWAIT 2017 (NOTAL) C)  
BLACK-ROBERTS-MEHL CONV OF 4/25/77 D) ANKARA 3076 E)  
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1. ALTHOUGH STATE 092742 REQUESTED ITALIAN AVIATION  
AUTHORITIES GRANT PERMISSION TO EFFECT A USG TO KUWAITI  
AF TRANSFER OF A-4'S AT SIGONELLA, BECAUSE OF TIME  
CONSTRAINTS AND BECAUSE OF CONTINUED GOT RELUCTANCE,  
SKYWAYS INC. NOW PROPOSES TO EFFECT THE TRANSFER OF THE

FIRST FOUR A-4'S IN KUWAIT VIA REFUELING IN CAIRO AND  
OVERFLIGHT OF SAUDI ARABIA.

2. DEPARTMENT CONCURS WITH THIS APPROACH FOR THE FIRST  
FOUR AIRCRAFT UNLESS EMBASSIES FEEL IT INAPPROPRIATE.

3. FOR ROME: PLEASE CONTINUE TO DETERMINE IF ITALIANS  
WILL AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF A-4S AT SIGONELLA.

4. FOR CAIRO: UNLESS OVERRIDING OBJECTION PRECLUDE,  
REQUEST YOU TAKE PROMPT ACTION ON SKYWAY INC REQUEST FOR  
LANDING AND SERVICING AS REQUIRED.

5. FOR JIDDA: PLEASE TAKE PROMPT ACTION ON SKYWAY INC  
REQUEST FOR OVERFLIGHT OF SAUDI ARABIAN AIRSPACE.

6. KUWAIT: PLEASE CONTINUE TO RESPOND TO REQUEST CON-  
TAINED IN STATE 092742, BUT UNLESS YOU SEE OBJECTIONS,  
POINT OUT THAT DUE TO  
UNEXPECTED COMPLICATIONS, DESIRE TO GIVE KUWAITI PILOTS  
MORE LEAD TIME TO PREPARE FOR POSSIBLE TRANSFER AT  
SIGONELLA, AND USG CONCERN FOR PROMPT DELIVERY IT IS  
DESIRED THAT TRANSFER OF FIRST FOUR A-4'S OCCUR IN KUWAIT.

7. FOR ANKARA: NO CHANGE IN REQUEST CONTAINED IN STATE  
092742.  
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